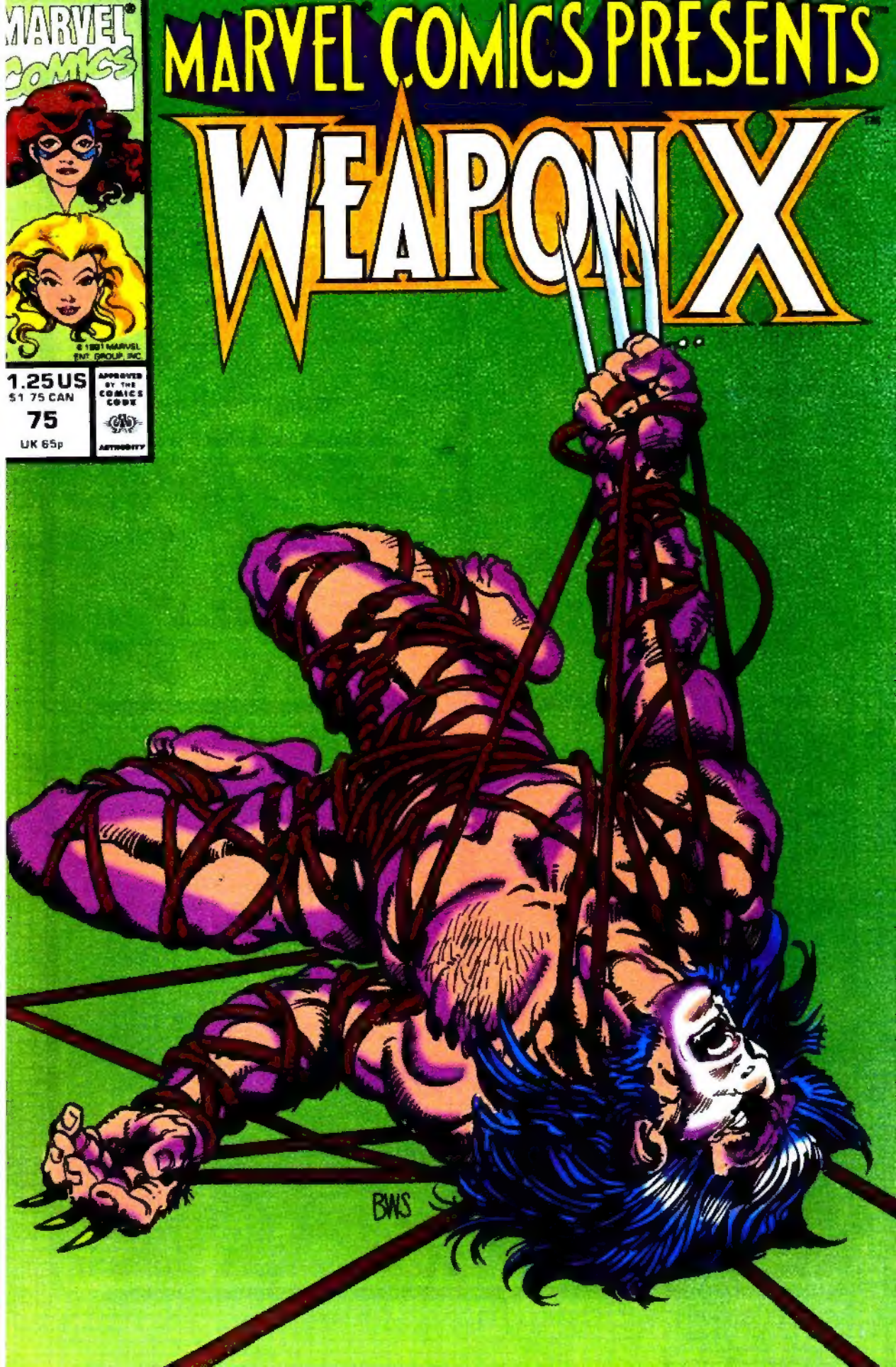
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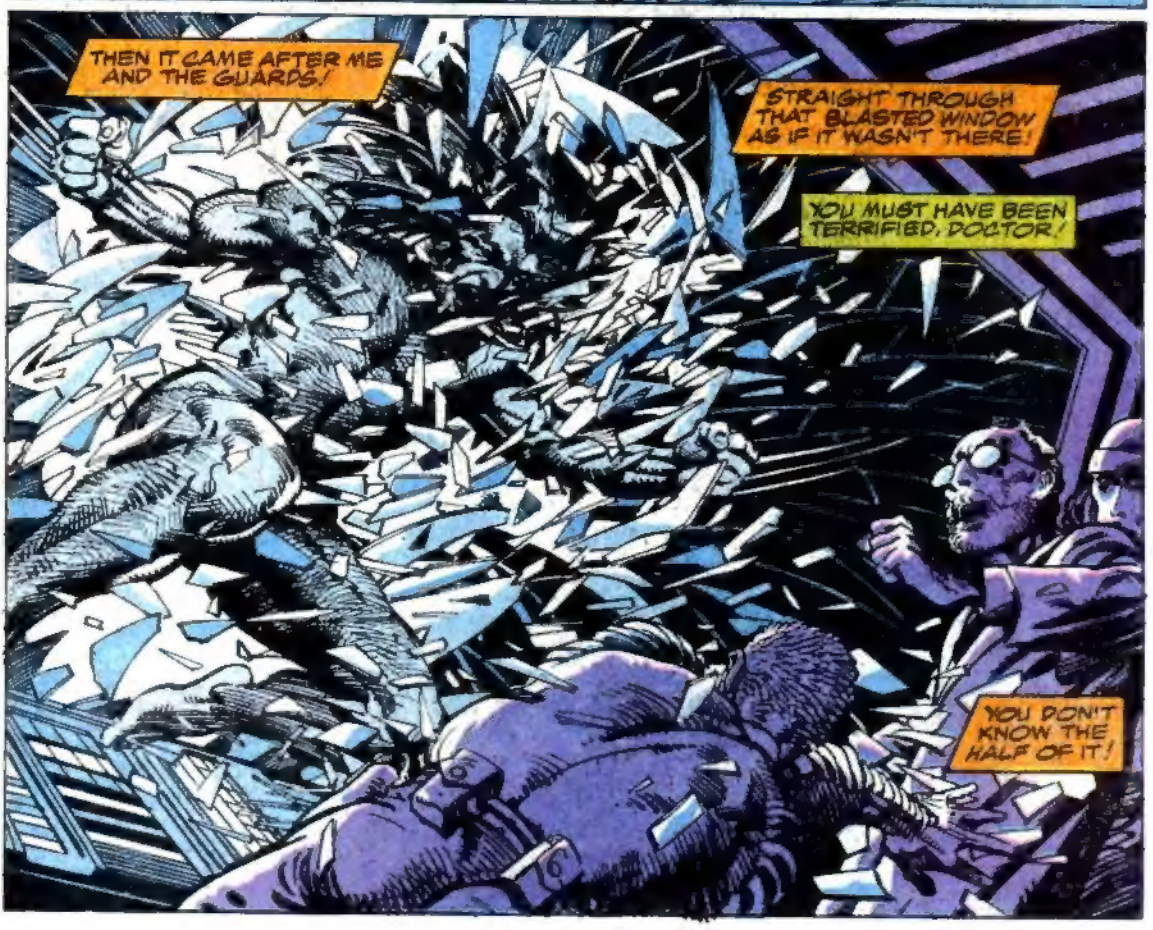
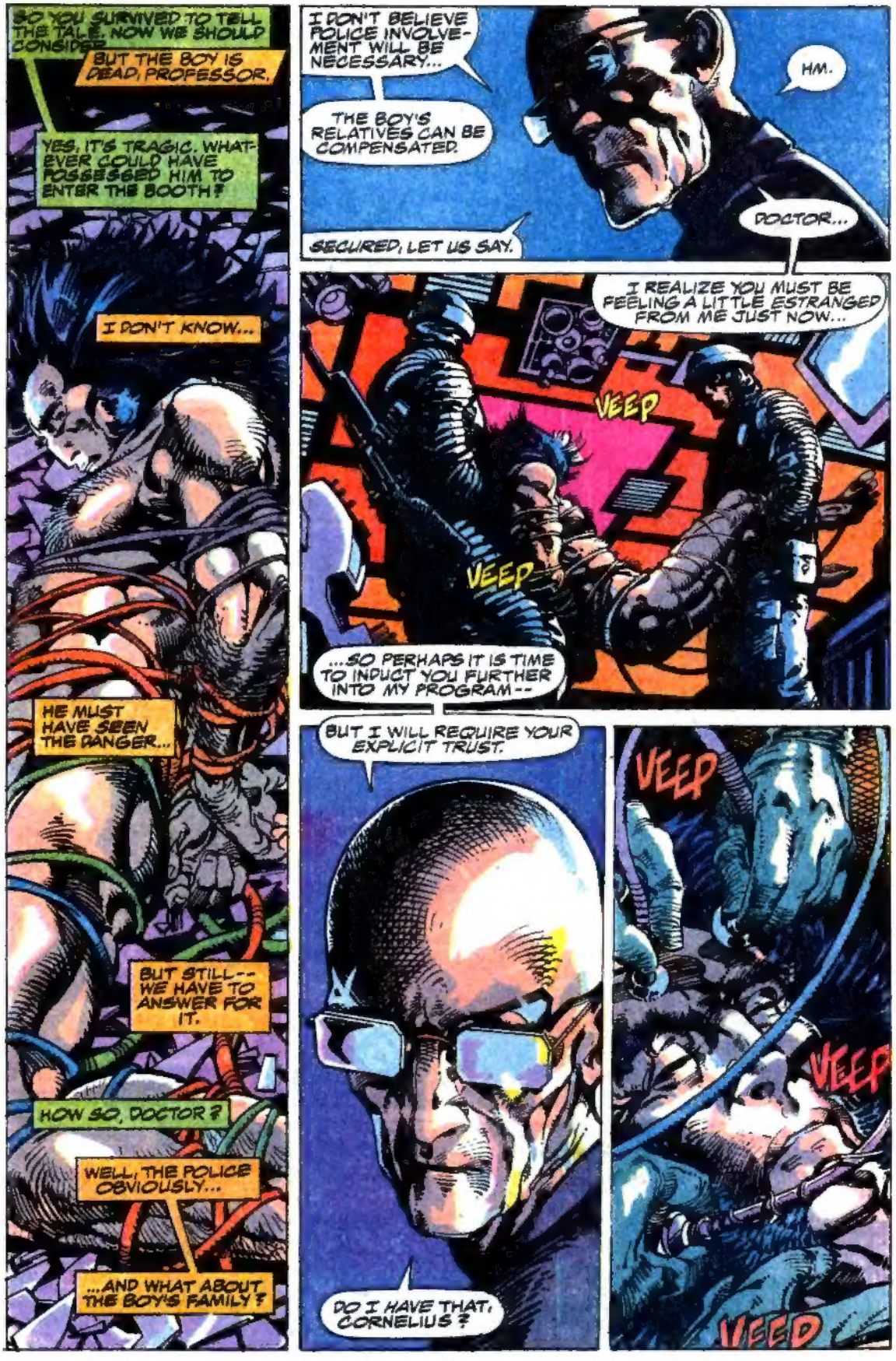
IF I KNEW WHAT YOU WERE REALLY UP TO, PROFESSOR, I MIGHT BE VERY UPSET WITH YOU.
POSSIBLY.
I'VE HELPED YOU TO CREATE A MONSTER.
NO, NOT A MONSTER EXACTLY.
DEVIL WITH THAT!
IT'S A MINDLESS, MURDERING ANIMAL!
UHM...
YES.
BUT WE CAN MAKE HIM BEHAVE!

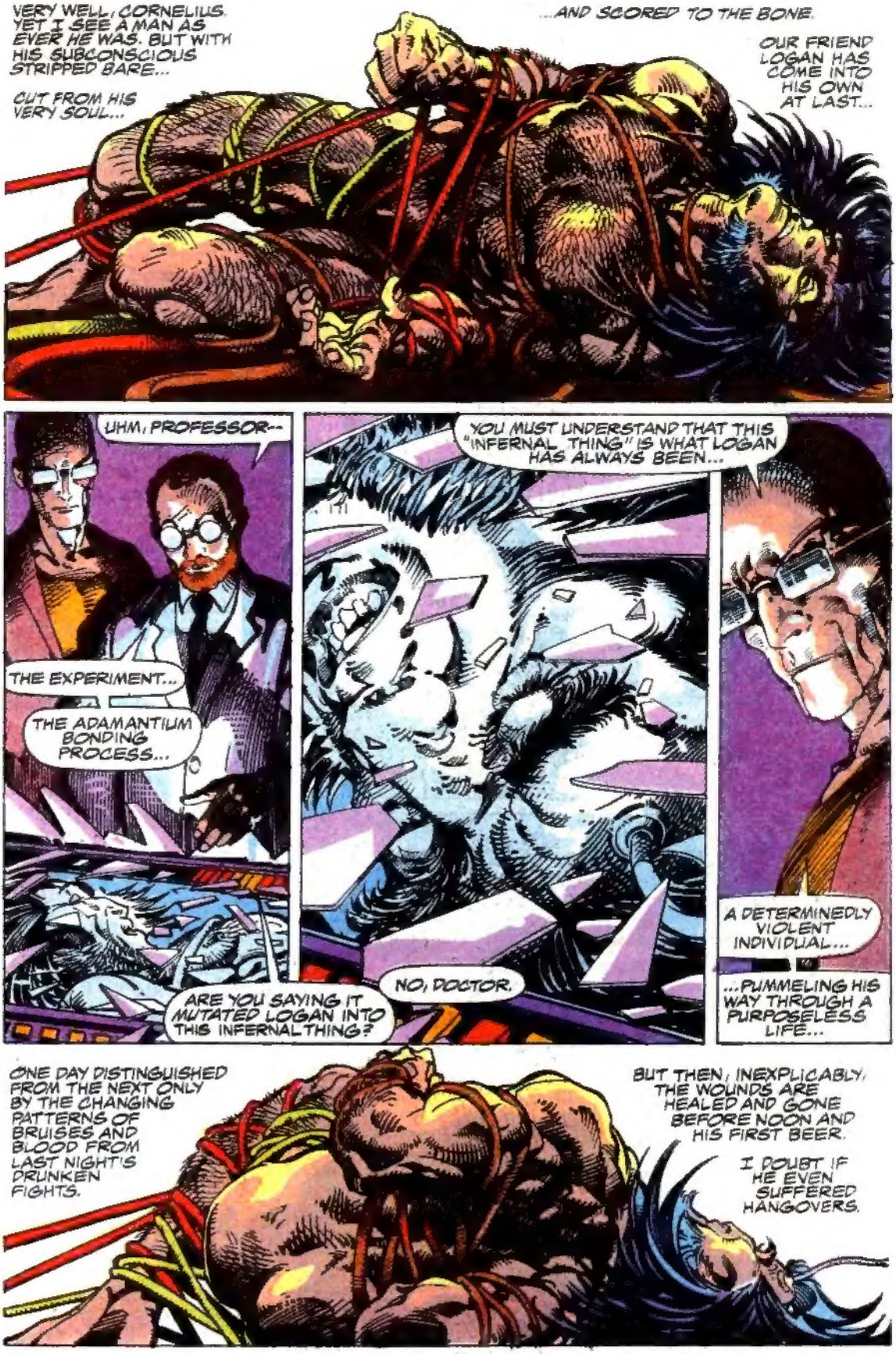
BEHAVE?!
GOOD GOD, MAN...
IT SLAUGHTERED AN INNOCENT BOY IN HERE.


THEN IT CAME AFTER ME AND THE GUARDS.
STRAIGHT THROUGH THAT BLASTED WINDOW AS IF IT WASN'T THERE!
YOU MUST HAVE BEEN TERRIFIED, DOCTOR!
YOU DON'T KNOW THE HALF OF IT!

BUT YOU WEREN'T HURT, SO LET'S NOT OVERINDULGE OURSELVES. HM?
LOGAN COULD HAVE KILLED US ALL...
I MET HIS EYES FOR A SECOND...
FILLED WITH HATE AND FURY...
BUT I COULDN'T TELL IF IT WAS SOME ANIMAL BLOODLUST...
...OR HORROR AT WHAT WE HAVE DONE TO HIM!
THEN, WITH HIS LIFE-SUPPORTS TORN AWAY, HE COLLAPSED...
SHLUK
KUK
THOSE TERRIBLE KNIVES SUNK BACK INTO HIS BODY...
AND I THANKED GOD FOR MY FORTUNE.


SO YOU SURVIVED TO TELL THE TALE. NOW WE SHOULD CONSIDER--
BUT THE BOY IS DEAD, PROFESSOR.
YES, IT'S TRAGIC. WHATEVER COULD HAVE POSSESSED HIM TO ENTER THE BOOTH?
I DON'T KNOW...
HE MUST HAVE SEEN THE DANGER...
BUT STILL-- WE HAVE TO ANSWER FOR IT.
HOW SO, DOCTOR?
WELL, THE POLICE OBVIOUSLY...
...AND WHAT ABOUT THE BOY'S FAMILY?
I DON'T BELIEVE POLICE INVOLVEMENT WILL BE NECESSARY...
THE BOY'S RELATIVES CAN BE COMPENSATED.
SECURED, LET US SAY.
HM.
DOCTOR...
I REALIZE YOU MUST BE FEELING A LITTLE ESTRANGED FROM ME JUST NOW...
VEEP
VEEP
...SO PERHAPS IT IS TIME TO INDUCT YOU FURTHER INTO MY PROGRAM--
BUT I WILL REQUIRE YOUR EXPLICIT TRUST.
DO I HAVE THAT, CORNELIUS?
VEEP
VEEP
VEEP

I DUNNO... THERE'S A LOT...
THAT I WILL EXPLAIN.
YOUR TRUST, DOCTOR...
...OFFER AND I SHALL ACCEPT.
WELL... OKAY THEN, IF YOU WANT...
I TRUST YOU.
THANK YOU FOR THAT.
YOU'RE
TELL ME, DOCTOR...
...ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE TERM HOMO-SUPERIOR?
AS IN... MASTER RACE OR SOME-THING?
TO SOME EXTENT...
DIK
MUTANT? MUTANT HUMANS?
...I MEAN MUTANT.
BUT NO...
KDIK
MUTANTS AREN'T HUMAN, DOCTOR CORNELIUS, THEY ARE HOMOSUPERIOR...
LOGAN IS NOT HUMAN. HE IS, THEREFORE, HOMO SUPERIOR.
LOOK HERE.
WHAT DO YOU SEE?
WHADAYA THINK?
I SEE A WILD BEAST THAT WAS ONCE A MAN.


VERY WELL, CORNELIUS. YET I SEE A MAN AS EVER HE WAS. BUT WITH HIS SUBCONSCIOUS STRIPPED BARE...
CUT FROM HIS VERY SOUL...
...AND SCORED TO THE BONE.
OUR FRIEND LOGAN HAS COME INTO HIS OWN AT LAST...
UHM, PROFESSOR--
THE EXPERIMENT...
THE ADAMANTIUM BONDING PROCESS...
ARE YOU SAYING IT MUTATED LOGAN INTO THIS INFERNAL THING?
YOU MUST UNDERSTAND THAT THIS "INFERNAL THING" IS WHAT LOGAN HAS ALWAYS BEEN...
NO, DOCTOR.
A DETERMINEDLY VIOLENT INDIVIDUAL...
...PUMMELING HIS WAY THROUGH A PURPOSELESS LIFE...
ONE DAY DISTINGUISHED FROM THE NEXT ONLY BY THE CHANGING PATTERNS OF BRUISES AND BLOOD FROM LAST NIGHT'S DRUNKEN FIGHTS.
BUT THEN, INEXPLICABLY, THE WOUNDS ARE HEALED AND GONE BEFORE NOON AND HIS FIRST BEER.
I DOUBT IF HE EVEN SUFFERED HANGOVERS.

ALL HIS YEARS LOGAN HAS ENDURED THIS--SUFFERING A DESTINY THAT TORE AT HIM FROM HIS GUTS OUTWARD...
BATTLING A FATE DECREED HIM BY NATURE!
HE BECAME A GOVERNMENT AGENT AND WAS IDEALLY SUITED TO THE DANGER OF THE WORK. HE HAD NOTHING TO LOSE--NOT EVEN HIS GODFORSAKEN LIFE...
SHOT, STABBED AND BEATEN IN THE COURSE OF DUTY--RECKLESSLY SEEKING THE HONOR OF DYING FOR HIS COUNTRY...
HOW PITIFULLY DESPERATE HE MUST HAVE BECOME.
YES. INDEED.
BUT NOW HIS DEMON IS FREE--RELEASED BY THE INTERVENTION OF EXPERIMENT-X.
THUS...
THE DOUBLE ID IS SUPPLANTED BY THE SUPEREGO AND ALL OF LOGAN'S PRIMAL INSTINCTS ARE FOCUSED AND RESOLVED.
AND WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT RIGHT NOW, DOCTOR...
...IS THE MOST FORMIDABLE TACTICAL WEAPON EVER CONCEIVED.
YES...
THE KNIVES, THEN, IN HIS HANDS...
...PURE ADAMANTIUM...
SKK
HAVE YOU NOT HEARD A WORD I'VE SAID?
THEY'RE NOT KNIVES, CORNELIUS...
SHUKT!
...THEY'RE CLAWS!
SECURITY!

SECURITY!
:SK:
WE NEED THE GAS NOW! LAB FIVE!
HASTE!
HASTE!
:SK: COPY :SK:
OH, MY GOD!
OH, MY GOD!
NECESSARY ACTION, DOCTOR, YOU SAW WHAT HAPPENED.
YES...
BUT...
I MEAN...CAN'T WE TREAT HIM BETTER THAN THIS?
HE'S STILL HUMAN IN SOME WAY, ISN'T HE?
IN SOME WAY...

BUT YOUR EARLIER DESCRIPTION WAS MORE APT, PERHAPS...
...A MINDLESS, MURDERING ANIMAL, I BELIEVE YOU SAID.
GUESS SO...
AND THIS IS WHY I AM DEPENDING UPON YOU, GOOD DOCTOR...
LOGAN MUST BE RESTRUCTURED NOW...
...TRAINED...
THEN PROGRAMMED.
YOU CAN DO ALL OF THIS.
MANIPULATION OF THE MINDLESS, DOCTOR CORNELIUS...
IT IS YOUR CALLING.

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BUDDA
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NO.
I WANT SHANNA ALIVE.

WHY YOU WANT THAT MEATLESS WHITE WOMAN?
SHE'S ONLY...A SYMBOL, MLIMA, OF AN ARROGANT WORLD THAT WOULD NEVER TAKE US SERIOUSLY.
FORGET SYMBOLS, CROSS-MALLACE! WE'RE BUILDING A FORTRESS HERE--
--A NERVE CENTER FOR A SMUGGLING EMPIRE! WHAT GOOD IS THIS JUJU TO US UNLESS IT MAKES US MONEY?
YOU WANT TO TAKE MY PLACE!
DO YOU HAVE MY POWER OVER THE ANCIENT SPIRITS? DO YOU HAVE MY KNOWLEDGE OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LEGAL--
NO ONE WANTS YOUR PLACE, MASTER. BUT THE WOMAN, SHE IS BAD.
CHASING HER HAS COST US TIME, MEN AND MATERIAL.
ALL RIGHT, THEN. GO!
MLIMA WILL GUIDE YOU. WHEN YOU SEE SHANNA, --SHOOT TO KILL!

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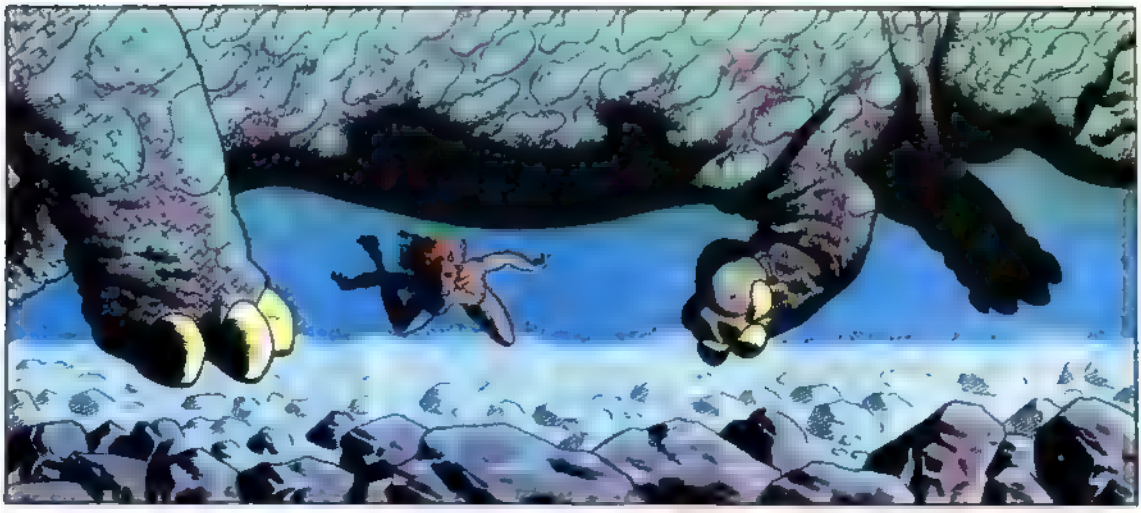
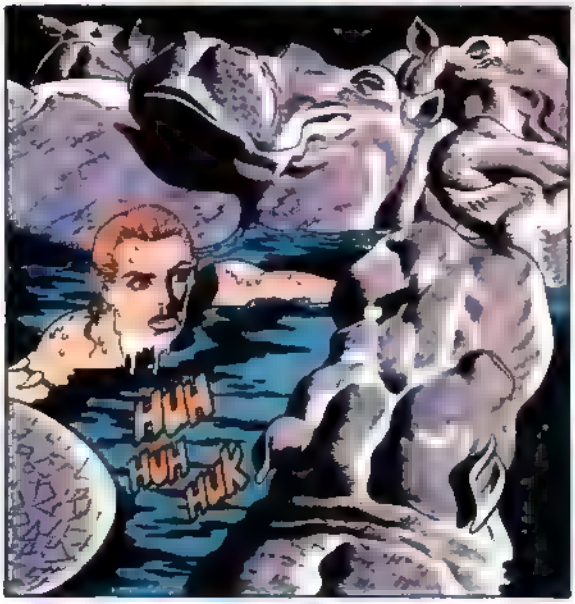
BUDDA
BUDDA
<WAIT!>
<THERE-- IN THE SPOTLIGHT!>

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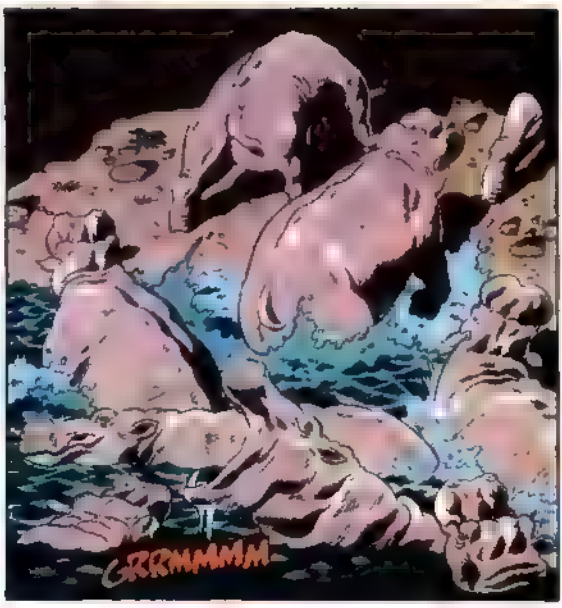
HUH
HUK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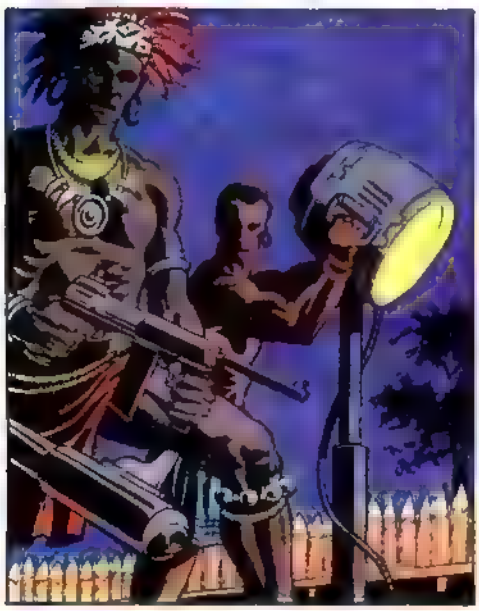


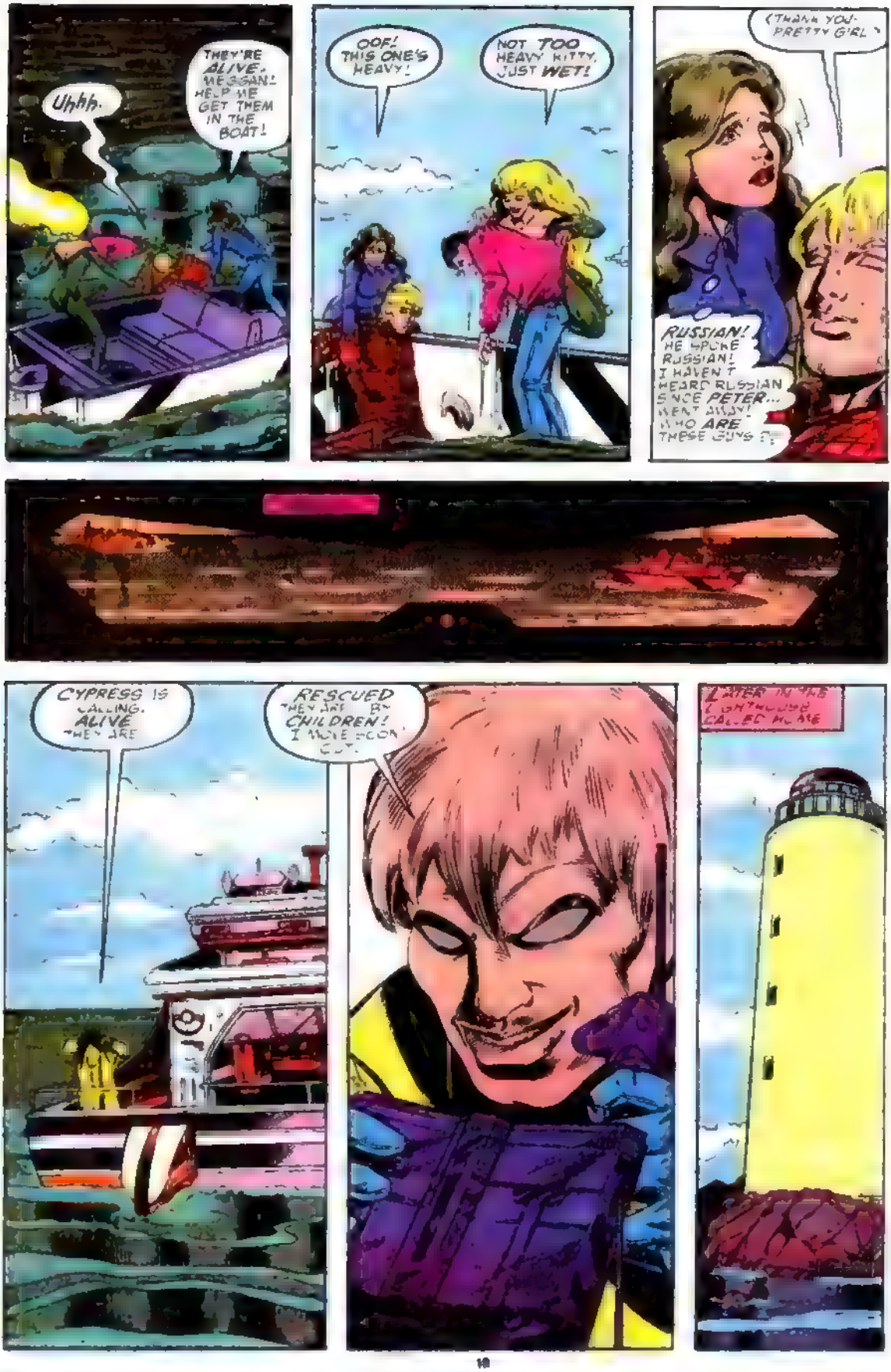
EASY, GIRL...
...EASY..

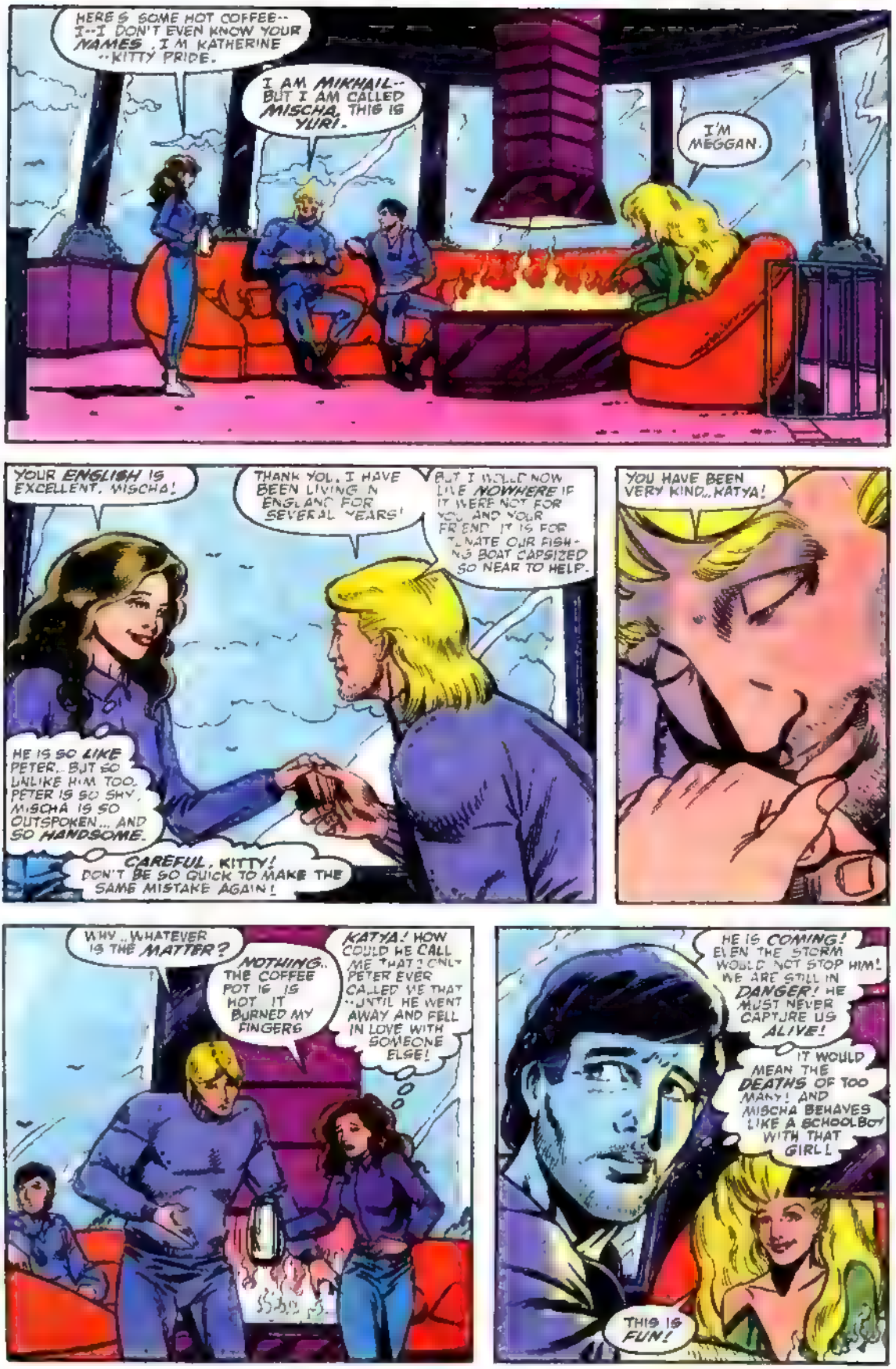
GRRUUUU
COWARD.
ROWRR
WATER FLOWS AND BENDS... BLOOD POOLS IN THE BLACK SOIL...
TO THE RIVER-BEND! DOUBLE TIME!

BUDDA
BUDDA
BUDDA
BOOM
BUDDA
BUDDA
BUDDA

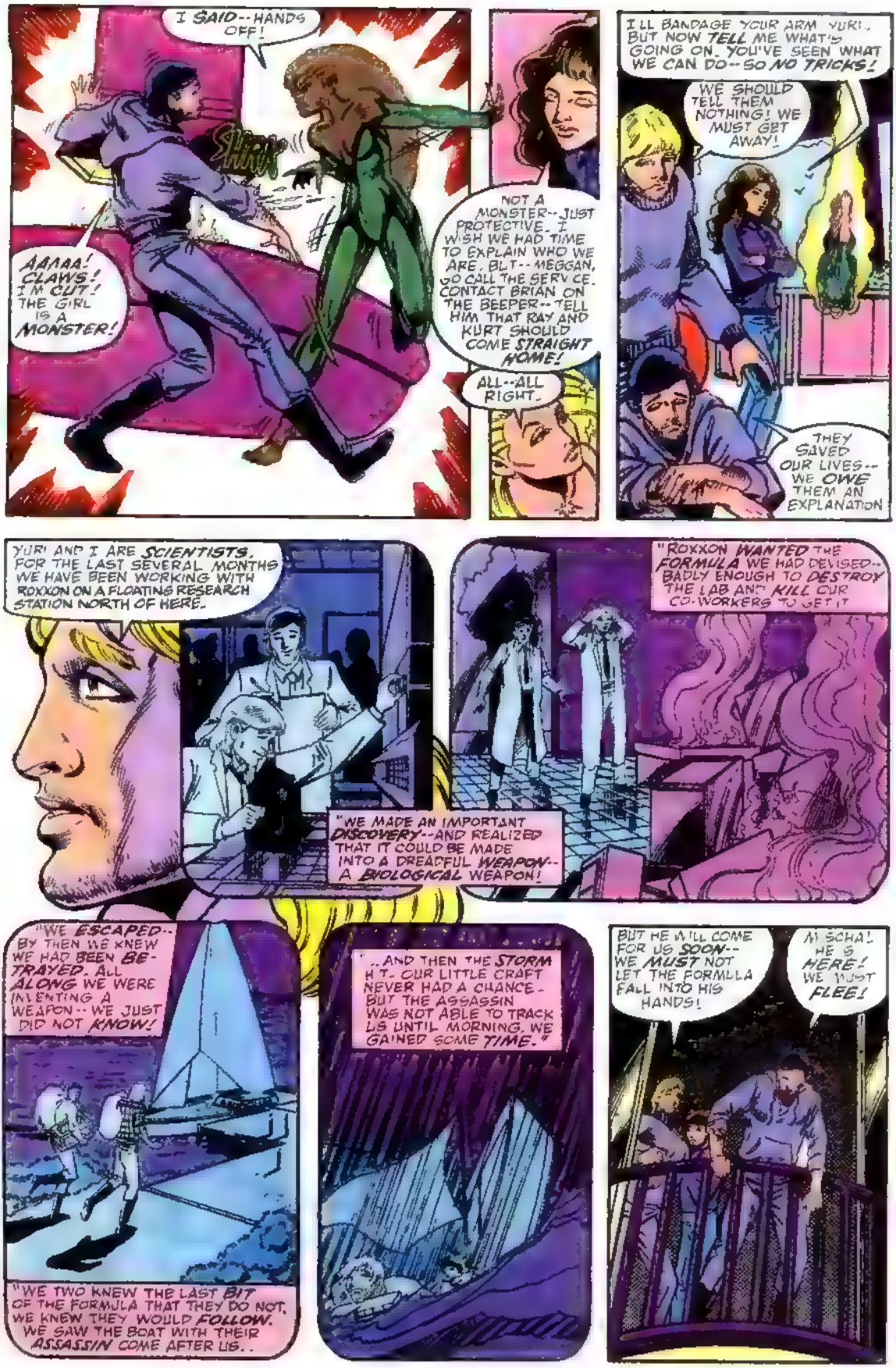
BUDDA BUDDA
BUDDA
NO!
BUDDA
SHE'S ALONE NOW.
ALL FORCES CONVERGE.
NO...
CONTINUES NEXT ISSUE...
WE HAVE HER.

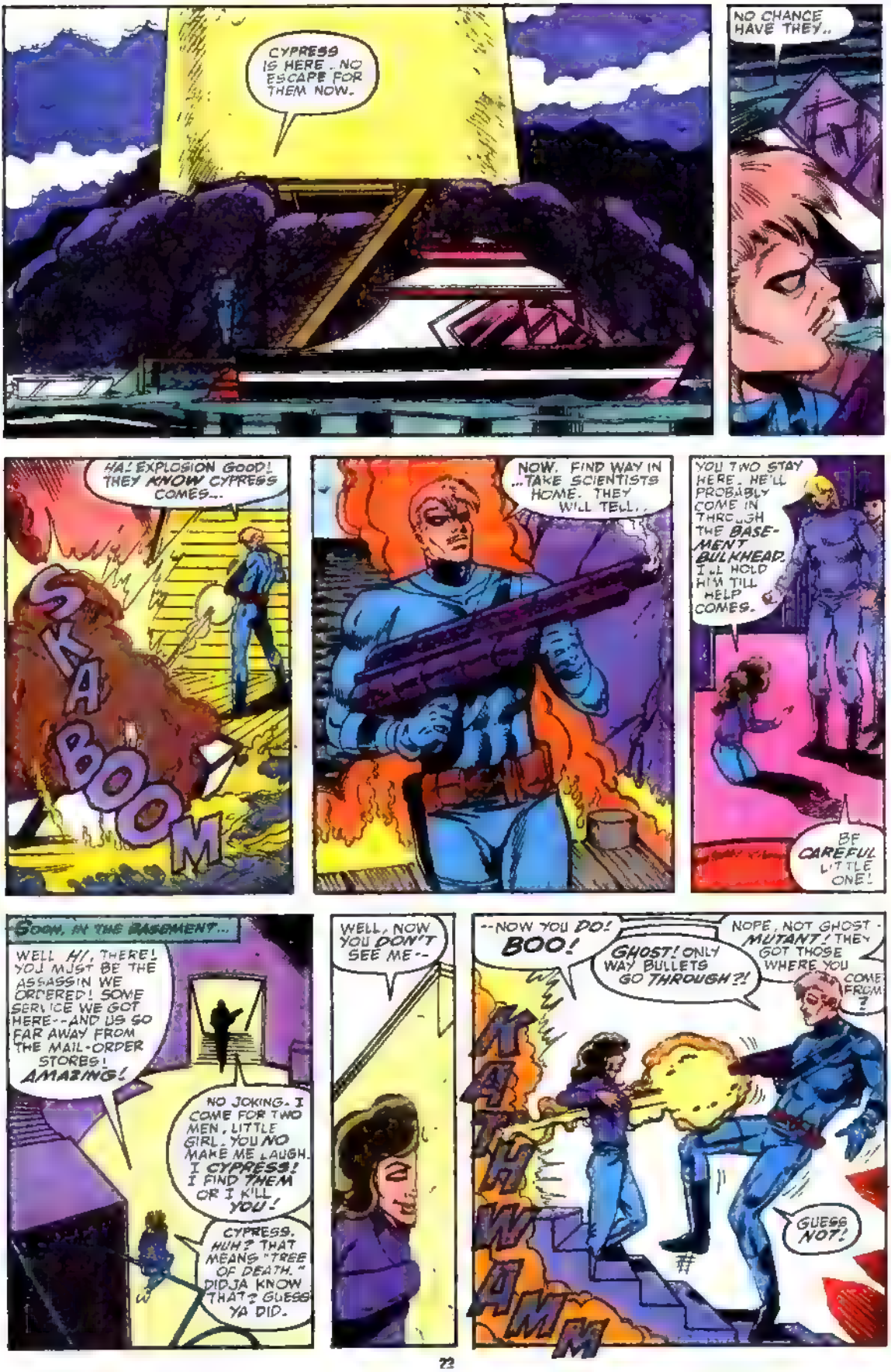
MEGGAN & SHADOW-CAT
IN CHARMED LIVES!
OFF THE COAST OF NORTHERN ENGLAND...
THE CALM AFTER THE STORM
SEE, KITTY! THERE THEY ARE! JUST WHERE I TOLD YOU!
I SEE THEM MEGGAN! I ONLY HOPE WE GOT HERE IN TIME! I WONDER WHAT THEY WERE DOING OUT IN A BOAT IN THAT STORM LAST NIGHT?
VRRR
I WISH THE REST OF EXCALIBUR HADN'T PICKED TODAY TO GO SHOPPING ON THE MAINLAND!
WE COULD USE SOME HELP HERE -- I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN PUT MY PHASING POWER ON HOLD LONG ENOUGH TO BE OF MUCH USE!


Uhhh.
THEY'RE ALIVE, MESSAN! HELP ME GET THEM IN THE BOAT!
OOF! THIS ONE'S HEAVY!
NOT TOO HEAVY KITTY, JUST WET!
(THANK YOU, PRETTY GIRL)
RUSSIAN! HE SPOKE RUSSIAN! I HAVEN'T HEARD RUSSIAN SINCE PETER... WENT AWAY! WHO ARE THESE GUYS?
CYPRESS IS CALLING. ALIVE THEY ARE
RESCUED THEY ARE BY CHILDREN! I MOVE SOON CUT.
LATER IN THE LIGHTHOUSE CALLED HOME


HERE'S SOME HOT COFFEE-- I--I DON'T EVEN KNOW YOUR NAMES. I'M KATHERINE --KITTY PRIDE.
I AM MIKHAIL-- BUT I AM CALLED MISCHA. THIS IS YURI.
I'M MEGGAN.
YOUR ENGLISH IS EXCELLENT, MISCHA!
THANK YOU. I HAVE BEEN LIVING IN ENGLAND FOR SEVERAL YEARS!
BUT I WOULD NOW LIVE NOWHERE IF IT WERE NOT FOR YOU AND YOUR FRIEND. IT IS FOR ...NATE OUR FISH-...NG BOAT CAPSIZED SO NEAR TO HELP.
HE IS SO LIKE PETER... BUT SO UNLIKE HIM TOO. PETER IS SO SHY. MISCHA IS SO OUTSPOKEN... AND SO HANDSOME.
CAREFUL, KITTY! DON'T BE SO QUICK TO MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE AGAIN!
YOU HAVE BEEN VERY KIND... KATYA!
WHY... WHATEVER IS THE MATTER?
NOTHING... THE COFFEE POT IS HOT. IT BURNED MY FINGERS
KATYA! HOW COULD HE CALL ME THAT? ONLY PETER EVER CALLED ME THAT ...UNTIL HE WENT AWAY AND FELL IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE ELSE!
HE IS COMING! EVEN THE STORM WOULD NOT STOP HIM! WE ARE STILL IN DANGER! HE MUST NEVER CAPTURE US ALIVE!
IT WOULD MEAN THE DEATHS OF TOO MANY! AND MISCHA BEHAVES LIKE A SCHOOLBOY WITH THAT GIRL!
THIS IS FUN!

WE HAVE IMPOSED ON YOUR HOSPITALITY TOO LONG PERHAPS WE COULD BORROW A BOAT TO GET TO THE MAINLAND?
WELL...
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME? I'M A MEMBER OF EXCALIBUR! I WAS AN X-MAN!
AND ALL IT TOOK WAS THE SOUND OF A FAMILIAR ACCENT THE TOUCH OF MISHA'S HAND ON MINE... AND I'M THIRTEEN AGAIN.
WHY SHOULDN'T I TRUST HIM? MAYBE I SHOULD WAIT FOR THE REST OF EXCALIBUR TO GET HERE. AM I BEING TOO PARANOID? I CAN HEAR LOGAN TELLING ME "USE YOUR GOOD SENSE DARLIN'." BUT WOLVERINE AND THE X-MEN ARE GONE.. I'M ON MY OWN HERE FOR NOW
KATYA... TELL ME ARE THERE ANY GUNS HERE?
GUNS?! WHAT DO FISHERMEN NEED WITH GUNS? I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN! WHO ARE YOU GUYS?!
AAAAA! WHAT ARE YOU-- HOW DO YOU DO THIS?!
ALL RIGHT I WANT SOME ANSWERS NOW!
WE NEED YOUR HELP, MEGGAN PRYDE... AND WE NEED A BOAT.
IF YOU REFUSE TO GIVE IT TO US WE WILL BE FORCED TO TAKE IT--
MEGGAN!
TAKE YOUR HANDS OFF ME!
WHAT?!


I SAID--HANDS OFF!
SHRIK
AAAAA! CLAWS! I'M CUT! THE GIRL IS A MONSTER!
NOT A MONSTER--JUST PROTECTIVE. I WISH WE HAD TIME TO EXPLAIN WHO WE ARE. BUT--MEGGAN, GO CALL THE SERVICE. CONTACT BRIAN ON THE BEEPER--TELL HIM THAT RAY AND KURT SHOULD COME STRAIGHT HOME!
ALL--ALL RIGHT.
I'LL BANDAGE YOUR ARM YURI. BUT NOW TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON. YOU'VE SEEN WHAT WE CAN DO--SO NO TRICKS!
WE SHOULD TELL THEM NOTHING! WE MUST GET AWAY!
THEY SAVED OUR LIVES--WE OWE THEM AN EXPLANATION
YURI AND I ARE SCIENTISTS. FOR THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH ROXXON ON A FLOATING RESEARCH STATION NORTH OF HERE.
"WE MADE AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY--AND REALIZED THAT IT COULD BE MADE INTO A DREADFUL WEAPON--A BIOLOGICAL WEAPON!
"ROXXON WANTED THE FORMULA WE HAD DEVISED--BADLY ENOUGH TO DESTROY THE LAB AND KILL OUR CO-WORKERS TO GET IT
"WE ESCAPED--BY THEN WE KNEW WE HAD BEEN BETRAYED. ALL ALONG WE WERE INVENTING A WEAPON--WE JUST DID NOT KNOW!
"WE TWO KNEW THE LAST BIT OF THE FORMULA THAT THEY DO NOT. WE KNEW THEY WOULD FOLLOW. WE SAW THE BOAT WITH THEIR ASSASSIN COME AFTER US..
"...AND THEN THE STORM HIT. OUR LITTLE CRAFT NEVER HAD A CHANCE. BUT THE ASSASSIN WAS NOT ABLE TO TRACK US UNTIL MORNING. WE GAINED SOME TIME."
BUT HE WILL COME FOR US SOON--WE MUST NOT LET THE FORMULA FALL INTO HIS HANDS!
AI SCHA! HE IS HERE! WE MUST FLEE!


CYPRESS IS HERE . NO ESCAPE FOR THEM NOW.
NO CHANCE HAVE THEY..
HA! EXPLOSION GOOD! THEY KNOW CYPRESS COMES...
SKA BOOM
NOW. FIND WAY IN ...TAKE SCIENTISTS HOME. THEY WILL TELL..
YOU TWO STAY HERE. HE'LL PROBABLY COME IN THROUGH THE BASEMENT BULKHEAD. I'LL HOLD HIM TILL HELP COMES.
BE CAREFUL LITTLE ONE!
SOON, IN THE BASEMENT...
WELL HI, THERE! YOU MUST BE THE ASSASSIN WE ORDERED! SOME SERVICE WE GOT HERE--AND US SO FAR AWAY FROM THE MAIL-ORDER STORES! AMAZING!
NO JOKING. I COME FOR TWO MEN, LITTLE GIRL. YOU NO MAKE ME LAUGH. I CYPRESS! I FIND THEM OR I KILL YOU!
CYPRESS, HUH? THAT MEANS "TREE OF DEATH." DIDJA KNOW THAT? GUESS YA DID.
WELL, NOW YOU DON'T SEE ME--
--NOW YOU DO! BOO!
GHOST! ONLY WAY BULLETS GO THROUGH?!
NOPE, NOT GHOST - MUTANT! THEY GOT THOSE WHERE YOU COME FROM?
KATHWAM
GUESS NOT!

WHERE ARE YOU FROM, ANYWAY? LOWER SLOBOVIA? YOU SURE DO TALK FUNNY!
WHAT? FLY ALSO?
SKA-BOOM
NOT EXACTLY-- IT'S MORE LIKE "WALKING ON AIR"-- BUT CLOSE ENOUGH!
STAY STILL! TELL ME WHERE THEY ARE-- NOW!
RIGHT OVER HERE!
Ah THERE!
POOM
NO STRANGE GIRL. JUST YOU.. AND CYPRESS. THEY TELL ME NOT TO KILL... BUT YOU ANGER ME. I TELL THEM YOU DIE IN STORM.
NO...
YESSSS- DIE.
BA-DOOM
MISCHA! YURI! HOLD ONTO ME AND HE CAN'T HURT YOU!
BA-DOOM BA-DOOM
HOW?
NO--NO! HAVE TO GET AWAY!
BA-DOOM
YURI! DON'T LET GO! DON'T!
AWAY-
ARRGH!!
BA-DOOM

FWOOSH
I THOUGHT THIS SEA-WATER HOSE STILL WORKED! ALL WET NOW, HUH? HEE-HEE!
UH-UH-UH ALL UH-UH KILL UH...
NOT SO SOON AS YOU THINK, ABRAGGIN! THIS IS FOR YURI! YOU DID NOT CARE THAT HE WAS MY FRIEND AND YOU...
KRAK K K
UGH!
I - I'M SHOT!
P-PHT
WHERE YURI?! WHY?
NO NO. NO GO, MISCHA NOT AGAIN NO MORE DEATH OH, GOD, PLEASE TOO MUCH DEATH!
MISCHA! I'M SORRY, MISCHA. DON'T YOU SEE - THEY COULD NOT GET THE FORMULA WE COULD NOT RISK THEM TAKING EITHER OF US BACK!
I AM SORRY MY COMRADE!
HERE COME BRIAN KURT AND RACHEL.
AM I STILL JUST A TEENAGE GIRL? I WAS THIS MORNING.
I THOUGHT HEROES LED CHARMED LIVES. I THOUGHT NOTHING COULD TOUCH ME ANYMORE. GUESS I WAS WRONG.
SOMETIMES BEING A HERO ISN'T ALL IT'S CRACKED UP TO BE.
KITTY? YOU OKAY?
I WILL BE. MEGGAN IN TIME
THE END

TRIUMPH
FEATURING
DOCTOR DOOM
I'M BORED!

HOW IRONIC THAT I VICTOR VON DOOM ONE OF THE GREATEST MINDS ON EARTH, AM REDUCED TO WHINING ABOUT HAVING NOTHING TO DO.
BORED! BORED! BORED!
ENOUGH!
DOOM IS NO SNIVELING PEASANT TO WALLOW IN SELF-PITY!
IT'S TIME I GOT TO WORK!
THERE ARE MIGHTY DEEDS TO BE DONE!
FILLED WITH A TERRIBLE NEW RESOLVE, I DESCEND QUICKLY INTO THE LABORATORY HIDDEN DEEP WITHIN THE BOWELS OF CASTLE DOOM!
MY EVER-QUESTING MIND HAS DISCOVERED A NEW PRINCIPLE APPLICATION, MY ENEMIES WILL FALL BEFORE ME AS LEAVES BEFORE A WHIRLWIND...
I BELIEVE I CAN CAPTURE COSMIC ENERGIES AND STORE THEM WITHIN MY OWN BODY IN USEABLE FORM.
I THROW MYSELF EAGERLY INTO MY WORK. THE KEENING SONG OF FREE FLOWING ENERGY ACCOMPANIES MY EFFORTS...
HOUR UPON HOUR THE HEAVENS THUNDER AS I TEAR SAVAGELY AT THE SECRETS OF THE UNIVERSE!

AT LAST...
I HAVE IT! THE GENIUS OF DOOM HAS TRIUMPHED ONCE AGAIN!
NOW FOR THE FINAL PREPARATIONS!
RELAYS CLICK AND CIRCUITS HUM AS I RECHECK MY FINAL CALCULATIONS...
THEN, THE LAST FATEFUL BUTTON IS PRESSED...
NOW!
SPEARS OF AGONY RIP THROUGH MY ARMORED FORM. I ATTEMPT TO STAND, BUT THE BLUDGEONING COSMIC FORCES BATTER ME TO MY KNEES!
YARGH!
KZAAT
I... SURVIVE.
EVEN THOUGH MY LEGS WILL NOT YET SUPPORT ME, I CAN FEEL THE POWER COURSING THROUGH ME. POWER TO RULE THE EARTH!
POWER TO SHAKE THE STARS!
POWER TO SETTLE OLD SCORES!
LET THOSE WHO HAVE DENIED ME MY DESTINY NOW BEWARE THE POWER OF DOOM!

LIKE AN AVENGING ANGEL, I TAKE TO THE AIR. ALREADY I CAN VISUALIZE MY FOES FALLING BEFORE ME!
LET THE WORLD BE-WARE!
SOON, I AM APPROACHING THE METROPOLIS OF NEW YORK. IT SPRAWLS BEFORE ME, HELPLESS IN THE AFTERNOON SUN...
.. AND THEN I STRIKE!
SHRAK
SHBOOM
WITHIN MOMENTS, HALF THE CITY IS IN FLAMES. ONE AFTER THE OTHER, THE MIGHTY TOWERS TOPPLE TO THE STREET!
I AM FLUSHED WITH A HEADY SENSE OF POWER. POWER!
THEY RUN LIKE ANTS! THEY DIE LIKE ANTS!
DOOM IS SUPREME!
WHO IS THERE TO CHALLENGE ME?
I DUNNO, DOOMSIE... I'LL GIVE IT A TRY!
THWIP
WHAT?!
IT'S JUST ME, DOOMSIE!
YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD SPIDER-MAN!
THE ARACHNID.
I SHRUG AWAY HIS CURSED WEBS!

THE SPIDER LEAPS...
...I BRUSH IT AWAY.
TORCH! HEY-- HELP!
RELAX WEBHEAD! I'VE GOT YOU!
NO JOKING, JOHNNY --THAT MAN'S DANGEROUS!
SO ARE WE, PAL!
HEY, DOOM! C'MON DOWN! I WANNA SMASH YER UGLY FACE!
LET'S GET HIM, BEN!
I'D SUGGEST YOU LOOK AT YOUR OWN FACE, MONSTER!
IF YOU WERE NOT ABOUT TO DIE!
AND SO SHALL FALL ALL WHO OPPOSE ME!
SMAK
BUT WHERE IS REED RICHARDS?
I HAVEN'T DEFEATED THE FANTASTIC FOUR UNLESS I'VE DEFEATED REED RICHARDS!
I'M RIGHT HERE, DOOM!
AT LAST..
YOU'RE GOING TO PAY FOR YOUR CRIMES, YOU MANIAC!
I HAVE WAITED YEARS FOR THIS MOMENT.

PWOOM
I'VE DONE IT! MY GREATEST FOE--DEAD AT MY HANDS!
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH IT, MONSTER!
IF IT'S THE LAST THING I DO, I'LL SEE YOU DEAD, DOOM!
Ah, YES-- THE GRIEVING WIDOW.
ARE YOU PLANNING ON STOPPING ME ALL BY YOURSELF, MADAM?
SHE'S GOT PLENTY OF FRIENDS, DOOM!
THERE'RE MORE THAN ENOUGH OF US TO CUT YOU DOWN TO SIZE!
CAPTAIN AMERICA... THE STAR-SPANGLED OAF.
CLANG
AND NOW, MADAM, I BELIEVE WE HAVE SOME UNFINISHED BUSINESS!
NOT YET, DOOM!
Eh?
ENOUGH OF THIS WEARISOME TOY!
CRUNCH
MY SHIELD! NO!
WHUB
YOU WISH ME TO RETURN IT, CAPTAIN?
WHOOF!

FIRST, VILLAIN, YE MUST DEAL WITH ALL OF US!
I AM GENEROUS TO MY ENEMIES.
FOR A MOMENT I ALLOW THEM TO BELIEVE THAT THEY STAND A CHANCE AGAINST ME.
THEN I OBLITERATE THEM!
DOOM IS POWER INCARNATE!
WHERE IS THERE A FOE TO STAND AGAINST ME?!
HERE, DOOM!
THE SILVER SURFER --A SPACE-TRAVELING INTERLOPER IN OTHER PEOPLE'S BUSINESS!
THIS IS THE MOST DESPICABLE ACT I HAVE EVER SEEN, DOOM!
OH? THEN I GATHER YOU'VE NEVER WATCHED YOUR FORMER MASTER, GALACTUS, EAT LUNCH!

I AM NOT HERE TO BANDY WORDS DOOM!
THIS MONSTROUS ASSAULT UPON EARTH AND ITS DEFENDERS MUST BE BROUGHT TO A HALT. IF NO ONE ELSE CAN STOP YOU, I WILL!
EVEN THE MIGHTY SILVER SURFER HAS NOT THE POWER TO STOP ME!
CHUT
HOW MUCH LESS WHEN HE IS RETURNED TO THE FORM OF--
--NORRIN RADD?!
NO!
HOW?
HOW THE MIGHTY HAVE FALLEN--
--LITERALLY.
DOOM IS THE VICTOR! DOOM HAS THE POWER! WHERE IS THERE ANOTHER TO MATCH ME?!
I SHALL STRIDE THE EARTH LIKE A COLOSSUS! NOTHING SHALL STAND BEFORE ME!
EVEN THE BONDS OF EARTH SHALL NOT HOLD ME!
WHERE IS GALACTUS? BRING ON THAT COSMIC BUFFOON!
FRANKLIN?
FRANKLIN, HONEY?
WHAT'S WRONG, FRANKLIN?
YOU WERE CRYING OUT, HONEY. YOU MUST HAVE HAD A VERY SCARY DREAM.
BOY, DID I EVER! DR. DOOM TOOK OVER THE WORLD AND--
OKAY, OKAY, YOU GO BACK TO SLEEP NOW. IT WAS ONLY A DREAM.
YEAH... A DREAM. GOODNIGHT, MOM.
≥YAWN≤ AT LEAST I THINK IT WAS A DREAM.
AND THAT IS THE SCARIEST PART OF ALL..
END

DOCTOR DOOM
THINKS IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE!
MEGGAN AND SHADOW CAT ARE LEFT HOME ALONE!
SHANNA THE SHE-DEVIL IS GETTING OUT OF AFRICA
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